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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 4, 2000 (Paper No. 6), Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-11, 18-32, 39-44, 51-53, and 67-69, drawn to a method of isolating human KDR+ hematopoietic stem cells. This election is made without traverse and without prejudice to the inclusion of the subject matter of the nonelected claims in any later filed divisional application.

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